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OLD STRIKE IN THE MANZANOS

Luis Tarin Finds Quartz Bearing Wire Gold west of Mountainair

A gold excitement has struck Mountainair with the news that the overflowed throughout all part of the valley. Luis Tarin, a settler living west of Mountainair in the Manzano mountains brought in samples of gold-bearing quartz, which are claimed to be exceedingly rich in gold. He claims to have struck quite a vein of this quartz about fourteen miles from Mountainair, and the news has caused almost all the able-bodied men of the Ozone City to take up mining claims, on which they are camping.

The strike is claimed to be in the old Spanish workings, which were worked some three centuries ago, by the adventurers who came through the mountains prospecting. As to the amount of gold in the quartz or the true value thereof, there is as yet nothing upon which to base an opinion as no assay has been made. Our informer, claims that if the samples are fair specimens the strike must be a rich one, as these bear "wire gold" in good quantities.

Among those who left Estancia for the "diggings" were: Ep Harris, Henry and Ralph Marble, Neal Jensen, Dr. D. R. Johnson, Fitch Freeman, Mr. Mendenhall, W. S. Berry and T. S. Smith.

Jury Sent Home

Alamogordo, N.M., May 31.—Judge Edward A. Mann, presiding at the term of federal court now in session in this city, dismissed the petit jury, excepting one member, Saturday afternoon. He gave as an excuse for his action that the jury had been tampered with.

A new jury has been ordered. It is known that a number of secret service men have been in the city for a week and it is presumed that they presented evidence to the effect that the jury had been tampered with to judge Mann.

The Chinese smuggling and conspiracy cases were to have been tried by the dismissed jury.

The federal grand jury will go into session again Tuesday and it is probable that it will investigate the matter.

A Ten Acre Farm

W. H. Patton, a ranchman and miner of Boulder county, has demonstrated that ten acres is quite enough. High up in the mountains near Gold Hill he has a little ranch that for eight years has proven a wonder. The ranch is at an altitude of 8,000 feet and the crops were grown without irrigation. About \$15 an acre was expended in getting the ground ready for cultivation, but including this the average cost of preparing the ground, seeding and harvesting has been \$17.50 an acre with an average annual product of \$38.50. The principal crops have been potatoes, wheat, root vegetables, cabbage, cauliflower, alfalfa and fodder.—Field & Farm.

Lost in the Mountains

Last Friday a party composed of Mrs. Parks and Mrs. Leach of Planeview, Texas, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Kiser, Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Jackson and Mrs. M. N. Parks and children of Estancia went to the mountains for an outing. The party pitched camp near the English-Souders sawmill. Just before nightfall little Andrew Parks wandered away from the camp. Runners were sent to the mill and to Tajique and soon there were some thirty-five or forty people on the ground. A diligent search was instituted, but not until 10:40 was the lost one found. He was tracked for some three hundred yards up a steep mountain side and was "up and a goin'" when found. He was quickly restored to the camp and suffice it to say we had a regular "Camp meeting." Little Andrew came off none the worse for his adventure, save a number of thorns, and was saluted with three big guns and "a powerful sight o' yellin'." In behalf of the party and especially of Mr. and Mrs. Parks the writer expresses gratitude to all who assisted in the search. Truly, as some one remarked at the camp "mountain people are not as rough as the mountains." Blessings be upon them all.

One of the Party.

Attention, Modern Woodmen.

The Royal Neighbors of America, Estancia Camp No. 5584, have requested that all members of M. W. A. Camp No. 13727, be present at the regular meeting of the camp on Monday night, June 7. The Royal Neighbors expect to be present and show the Woodmen how to put on the work of the order as it should be done. While nothing definite has been given out, it has been learned that the ladies have been visiting the various hardware stores pricing nails, and it would not be surprising if the ladies brought with them a keg of spikes, which they would open during the evening. It is the duty of every Woodmen to be present and assist the Auxiliary in this arduous undertaking.

H. L. Bainum, Consul
P. A. Speckmann, Clerk

B. Y. P. U. Program

Leader, Mr. Fred Tuttle.
Subject, With Jesus in the Garden.
Song.
Prayer.
Song.
Scripture Reading, Matt. 26:36-46

Four talks or papers:
Avoiding Temptations, Matt. 26:41 Mrs. D. B. Jackson
Resisting Temptations, Miss Menckmeyer.

Enduring Temptations and Trials, James 1:2 and 12-15 Miss Norris.

How Daniel Resisted Temptation, Dan. 1:8-21. Miss Jessie Jackson.

Quartette, "Yield not to Temptation," Messrs. Fred and Jack Tuttle and Misses Jackson and Fielder.

Prayer.
Adjournment, all repeating in concert the Lord's Prayer.

Probate Judge Gabino Baca has called a special term of the probate court for Torrance county at 10 o'clock this (Friday) morning.

PRIZES AT IRRIGATION CONGRESS

Rules and Partial List of Premiums to be Given at Montana Congress

The first announcement of rules governing exhibits at the Billings congress and the prizes offered has been made from the office of John T. Burns, the secretary of the congress. The prizes offered thus far are handsome and should awaken the interest and the competition of every dry farmer in New Mexico. It is the proposal of the Santa Fe railroad to take a large exhibit to Billings from New Mexico and the railroad desires the co-operation of farmers everywhere along its lines. While the Billings congress does not open until October 25, the time to begin preparation is now. The following is the first announcement of rules and prizes:

Second International Exposition of Dry Farm Products, Billings, Montana, October 25-29, 1909.

Preliminary Notice of Premium List.

Rule 1.—All farmers living in the arid regions (where rainfall is less than 20 inches per annum) depending solely upon rainfall to grow and mature crops, are eligible to compete for premiums at this Dry Farming Congress.

Rule 2.—Exhibits shall represent crop season of 1909 and shall not have been grown on non-irrigated, sub-irrigated or seepage land.

Rule 3.—All individual exhibits shall have been grown by bona fide ranchmen, stockmen and farmers. The collective exhibits or general display classes are open to any individual, firm, club or community.

Rule 4.—The object of this exhibit is to show various crops grown on non-irrigated lands of the world during 1909. Each delegate to the congress should, therefore, take a personal interest in seeing that his district or section has crop exhibits entered.

Rule 5.—General display classes. These classes shall be open to any individual, firm, club or community.

Rule 6.—Specials. A class for special exhibits will be made up later, depending upon the premiums offered therein.

W. X. Sudduth, I. D. O'Donnel, W. B. George, committee on exhibits.

Pony threshing machine, for best shock Turkey Red Winter Wheat, consisting of not less than five or more than twelve bundles each, to be taken as they came from the machine, given by W. X. Sudduth.

Star Clipper Cleaner, best specimen of Turkey Red Winter Wheat, grown in Yellowstone county, given by W. H. McCormick.

Life membership in the Dry Farming Congress for the best exhibit from farm garden, given by Peter Hoe.

One 12-16 Moline Disc Harrow for dry farm potatoes, given by Yegen Implement company.

\$175 in cash prizes; \$100 for first prize, \$50 for second, and \$25 for third prize; best display of Turkey Red Winter Wheat raised in Sheridan county, Wyoming, by J. W. Denio Mfg. company of Sheridan Wyoming.

Acme Harrow for best display of sweet potatoes, peanuts and June corn, Huse-Yates Co.

\$40 ladies' solid gold watch, stem winder, choice Elgin or

Auto Party of Boosters

A party of Albuquerque business men were in Estancia last Monday morning, having arrived in their touring car from El Paso. They were combining business and pleasure. It was a sort of an advance boosting trip for the 29th Annual Territorial Fair, J. B. McManus, secretary of the Fair, and head booster being in charge of the party, Geo. P. Learnard, of the Learnard & Lindeman Music Store, O. A. Matson, of the Matson Book Store, C. S. White, of the Bank of Commerce and Dr. R. N. VanZandt composed the party.

They made a pleasant although short visit at the News office, Mr. Learnard placing an ad for the "Square Music Dealers" and Mr. McManus arranging for Fair advertising to follow later. The party left for the north, expecting to reach Albuquerque Monday evening, via Moriarty, Tijeras and the Tijeras canyon.

Real Estate Transfers.

Andrew Story to H. C. Ainsworth, n hf ne qr and n hf nw qr sec 9, 6, 8. Consideration \$3550.

W. E. Tipton to A. N. Roach, ne qr sec 12, 5, 7. Consideration \$1.

Macedonio Sais to Allen Bagget, s hf sw qr sec 28, and n hf nw qr sec 33, 5, 7. Consideration \$500.

J. I. Rawson to M. B. Atkinson, parts of block 29, Alta Vista. Consideration, \$128.

Josephine N. Knappe to Isaac Markel, 80 acres in nw qr sec 23, 5, 6. Consideration \$650.

Wm. D. Stoddard to A. W. Friend, s hf sw qr sec 27, 6, 8. Consideration \$800.

Miss Hancock, who has been engaged in teaching at the public school the past year, left for a visit to her parents at Estancia on the train yesterday morning. Miss Hancock has made an excellent record as a teacher during her engagement here, and has been re-engaged for another year by the board of directors.—Belen Tribune.

Rev. W. R. Dye, rector of the Episcopal Church of Santa Fe will preach at the Blaney schoolhouse on next Sunday evening June 6, at 8 p.m. All are cordially invited to attend.

Waltham movement, full jeweled, for the best exhibit made by woman homesteader, given by Roberts, the jeweler. First prize, \$20 Eastman camera and \$5 photographic supplies, for the best display made by woman homesteader, given by Chapple Drug Co. Second prize.

Through the Security Warehouse Co., Billings, full chilled walking plow, No. 111, for best specimen Canadian peas, open to world, given by Oliver Plow Co.

\$150 cash to be given in ribbons and small cash prizes, given by Billings Brewery.

Buggy for best exhibit made by North Dakotan who has made good in Montana; special conditions to be stated hereafter. Daniel, Jones Co.

Silver loving cup, best specimen of Turkey Red Winter Wheat raised in Sweetgrass county, and exhibited at the Dry Farming Congress.

FIRE DESTROYS BRAXTON HOME

The Judge had just Finished his Supper and on his Way to town

On Tuesday night at about eight o'clock, fire destroyed the cottage of Justice of the Peace J. E. Braxton in Alta Vista. The Judge had just finished his supper, and was returning to town, having gone about half way. The family of S. C. Cochrane, who live just east of the Braxton residence noticed smoke issuing from the windows and doors, and ran over with an ax to break in the door. As soon as this was done the smoke poured out in such volume that it was impossible to do anything towards saving either building or contents.

At about the same time that Cochrane arrived, Louis Aragon came and broke in the rear door and window, but could not enter there either. In a few minutes quite a crowd had gathered, but nothing could be done, except to keep the fire from spreading.

The building together with the contents was insured in the London, Liverpool & Globe Insurance Company in the sum of four hundred dollars. The loss was much more than this amount Judge Braxton claims that this sum will about cover the contents of the building, thus leaving the building a total loss.

This is Mr. Braxton's second loss by fire in Estancia, he having lost his restaurant building in the fire of August 22 last, when the business block on Fifth street was destroyed.

Well Down 713 Feet

Yesterday morning a report from the deep well on the Green farm east of town, stated that the drill was down 713 feet. The last hundred feet has been through red sand stone, which is now much harder than heretofore. When the pumps are not working the water has run over the top of the casing, but this water is said to be from the strata of water encountered higher up, and which was supposed to have been cased off.

The drill bit, which has been in use has become so worn with the constant drilling in the rock, that it is unsafe to use it further. A new one was expected in on yesterday's train, with which the drilling will be continued. The thickness of the rock in which the work is now being pushed is of course not known, but the rock being so much harder now than heretofore, would seem to indicate that it would soon be penetrated.

Odd Fellows Elect Officers

At their regular meeting last Friday night the Estancia Lodge No. 28, I.O.O.F., elected officers for the ensuing term as follows: G. B. Fenley, Noble Grand James Walker, Vice Grand J. R. Wash, Secretary J. D. Childers, Treasurer

Mountainair Chautauqua Notes

Prof. J. E. Clark, Territorial Superintendent of public instruction, has approved the institute in connection with the Mountainair Chautauqua as a summer school. Teachers in any part of the territory may attend this Chautauqua Institute if they choose. Accommodations at Mountainair during the Chautauqua will be provided at a nominal rate; good meals being furnished for 25cts.

The railroads have granted a rate of one and one-fifth fare for the round trip to the Mountainair Chautauqua, which begins July 19th and continues two weeks. This rate is good from all points in New Mexico, and El Paso, Texas.

Prof. W. H. Campbell, of Lincoln, Neb., the apostle of dry farming, will be at the Mountainair Chautauqua on Saturday, July 31st.

Wednesday, July 28th, will be W. C. T. U. day at the Mountainair Chautauqua. The program will be in charge of Mrs. S. C. Nutter, President of the New Mexico W. C. T. U.

Governor Curry will be the principal speaker at the Mountainair Chautauqua on Wednesday, July 21st.

Tuesday, July 20th, will be educational day at the Mountainair Chautauqua, and Prof. J. E. Clark, Superintendent of public instruction will be the principal speaker.

The forestry service has been given charge of the afternoon program, Saturday, July 24th, at the Mountainair Chautauqua, and it is expected that some of the biggest guns of the service will be present. The administration of the forest service has not been altogether satisfactory in New Mexico, this will give those in authority an opportunity to explain some things the people would like to know.

The Mountainair Chautauqua this year begins July 19th, and continues two weeks with Thursday and Friday of each week "rest days." This arrangement was made for the purpose of allowing home people a chance to catch up with their sleep, and visitors an opportunity to see some of the points of interest tributary to the Chautauqua town. Among other places of special interest close to Mountainair are the ruins of La Gran Quivira, and La Cuara, missions founded by Franciscan Monks in the 15th Century; also the prehistoric apple orchard at Manzano, which the Mexican people discovered in 1806 on their first trip to the east side of the Manzano Mountains. Special arrangements will be made for those who desire to take advantage of these side trips, and every possible effort made for their comfort and convenience, and at a moderate price.

The best people in New Mexico generally are in hearty sympathy with the Chautauqua movement inaugurated at Mountainair. The management is making a strenuous effort this year to secure funds with which to build a tabernacle on ground which has been donated to the Association. The charter has been secured, and the value of stock fixed at \$5.00 per share. Any one desiring to become identified with the laudable enterprise, or who feel like encouraging this progressive movement may secure certificates of stock by addressing the Secretary of the Association at Mountainair.